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IN THE CLAIMS

1-9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents wherein servers comprising document databases and programs to manipulate said databases are dispersed over a network and a client connected to said servers performs a document search, said service providing a document search method comprising the steps of:

inputting, to a first document database, at least one document retrieved as a result of a first search of said first document database; wherein the first search is conducted by a first search input, to said first document database, of a set of keywords, fragments of a document or any desired set of documents,

making a weighted term list from said input of said at least one document to said first document database, the weight of each term reflecting the importance of the term in the first document database, and

performing a search of a second document database;

wherein said weighted term list is used as a second search input for performing said search of said second document database, and

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wherein each term in the term list is weighted considering the importance of the term both in the first document database and the second document database, and the weight being used to calculate the relevance of each document of the second document database.

11. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 10, wherein an interface is provided in which any of said at least one document input to said first document database is selected or deselected, and a set of said at least one document that is selected via said interface is used in preparing the second search input for searching said second document database.

12. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 11, wherein a summary containing only topic words in the set of said at least one document selected via said interface is used to perform the second search.

13. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 11, wherein a client transmits the set of said at least one document selected via said

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interface to a server where said first document database is stored, receives a summary comprising only topic words related to the set of said at least one document which is sent, sends the second search input corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary to a server where said second document database is stored, and receives a search result from the search of said second document database.

14. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 10, wherein a summary containing only topic words in said at least one document is used to perform the second search.

15. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 10, wherein a client transmits said at least one document to a server where said first document database is stored, receives a summary comprising only topic words related to said at least one document which is sent, sends the second search input corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary to a server where said second document database is stored, and

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receives a search result from the search of said second document database.

16. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 15, wherein said server produces a summary from topic words relevant to said at least one document sent by the client and transmits the summary to the client, and searches and transmits a set of documents having a high relevance to any summary sent by the client, to the client.

17. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents as defined in claim 15, wherein said client has an interface for selecting any of said at least one document, and for selecting document databases to be searched, a set of documents thus selected is sent to a server specified by the user, a summary of the set of documents is received from the specified server, the summary received is sent to a server comprising said second document database, and search results are received from the search of said second document database and displayed.

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18. (Previously presented) A service for searching documents wherein servers comprising document databases and programs to manipulate said databases are dispersed over a network and a client connected to said servers performs a document search, said service providing a document search method in which the client transmits a set of documents in a first search input to one of said servers where a first document database is stored, receives a summary comprising only topic words related to the set of documents which is sent, sends a second search input corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary to a server where a second document database is stored, and receives a search result from the search of the second document database, wherein said server storing the first document database produces the summary of topic words relevant to the set of documents sent by the client and transmits the summary to the client, and searches and transmits a set of documents having a high relevance to any desired summary sent by the client, to the client.